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NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- Copy of the International Application filed on 06/16/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 06/16/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 01/15/2008
- Oath or Declaration filed on 09/25/2008
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 06/16/2006

Applicant's response filed 09/25/2008 is hereby acknowledged. The following requirements set forth in the NOTIFICATION of MISSING REQUIREMENTS mailed 09/08/2008 have not been completed.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
 - The declaration filed on September 25, 2008 is defective. It appears to be a compilation of a number of separate declaration sheets (the documents first page is numbered 1 of 4 but there are 6 pages). There are also three pages numbered 4 of 4. "Where individual declarations are executed, they must be submitted as individual declarations rather than combined into one declaration." See MPEP 201.03(II)(B).

Applicant is required to complete the response within a time limit of ONE MONTH from the date of this Notification or within the time remaining in the response set forth in the Notification of Missing Requirements, whichever is the longer. No extension of this time limit may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136, but the period for response set in the Notification of Missing Requirements may be extended under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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